GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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MADRASSAS IN THE COUNTRY
GULAM MEHMOOD BANATWALLA

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have instructed the State Governments to collect details of `Madrassas` situated in their States and to maintain their records;

(b) if so, details of the particulars sought to be collected;

(c) the reasons for collection of these details;

(d) whether any Madrassas have been found to be indulging into anti-national activities;

(e) if so, the details in this regard, State-wise; and

(f) the action taken against the Madrassas found involved in anti-national activities?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERS(PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK)

(a) to (c): Education falls in the Concurrent List of the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India.The day-to-day administration, policy formulation, etc., in respect of all educational institutions, including the Madrassas is the concern of the State Government(s). However, in order to develop a data-base on Madrassas, the Union Government have requested the State Governments to send information such as their number, course/curriculum contents, authorities/boards regulating their functioning, grants received by them, steps taken by the State Governments for their modernization, Acts and Regulations governing them, etc.

(d) to (f): Some Madrassas have come to adverse light from the point of view of national security and action has been taken under the relevant laws.